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Squaxin Youth Canoe Journey
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Climate Change



Candace Penn - Some of you might be wondering what we, as a tribe, are doing about climate change? How is climate change effecting our first foods like shellfish, salmon, and harvestable plants? As the Climate Change Ecologist Trainee for the Tribe these are things I think about quite often. I have collected various graphs, charts, and images that I hope will resonate with you about what climate change is and

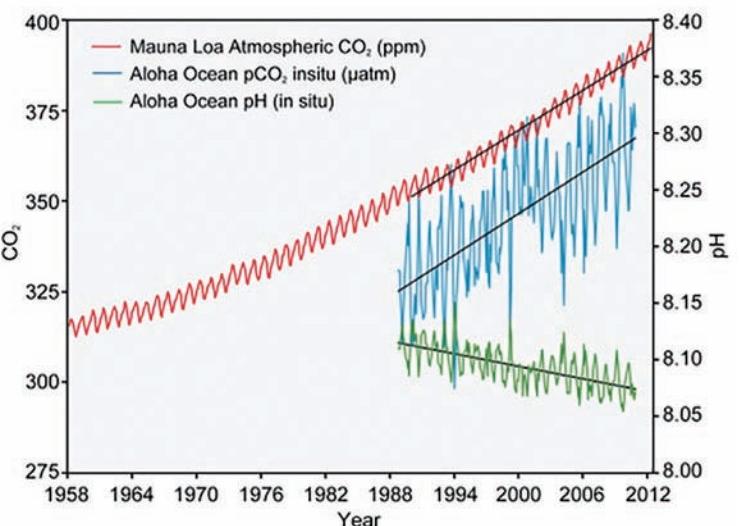
how first nations are being affected. I'll go over a few main topics surrounding climate change here in the Pacific Northwest.

- **Global Carbon Emissions** are the biggest contributors to climate change and global warming. Each of the other three bullet points (continued on Page 4) trace their source contributor to global carbon output.

Oil used for transportation and coal used for electricity generation are the largest contributors to the rise in carbon dioxide which is the primary driver of observed changes in climate over the last fifty years.

- **Ocean Acidification** is a huge problem for our first foods. The oceans are absorbing about a quarter of the carbon dioxide emitted to the atmosphere annually and are becoming more acidic as a result. Calcifiers like clams, oysters, and geoduck cannot build their shells leading to alterations in marine ecosystems. Calcifiers' shells dissolve in acidified ocean water. Many of these animals form the foundation of the marine food web. Today, more than a billion people worldwide rely on food from the ocean as their primary source of protein. Ocean acidification puts this important resource at risk.

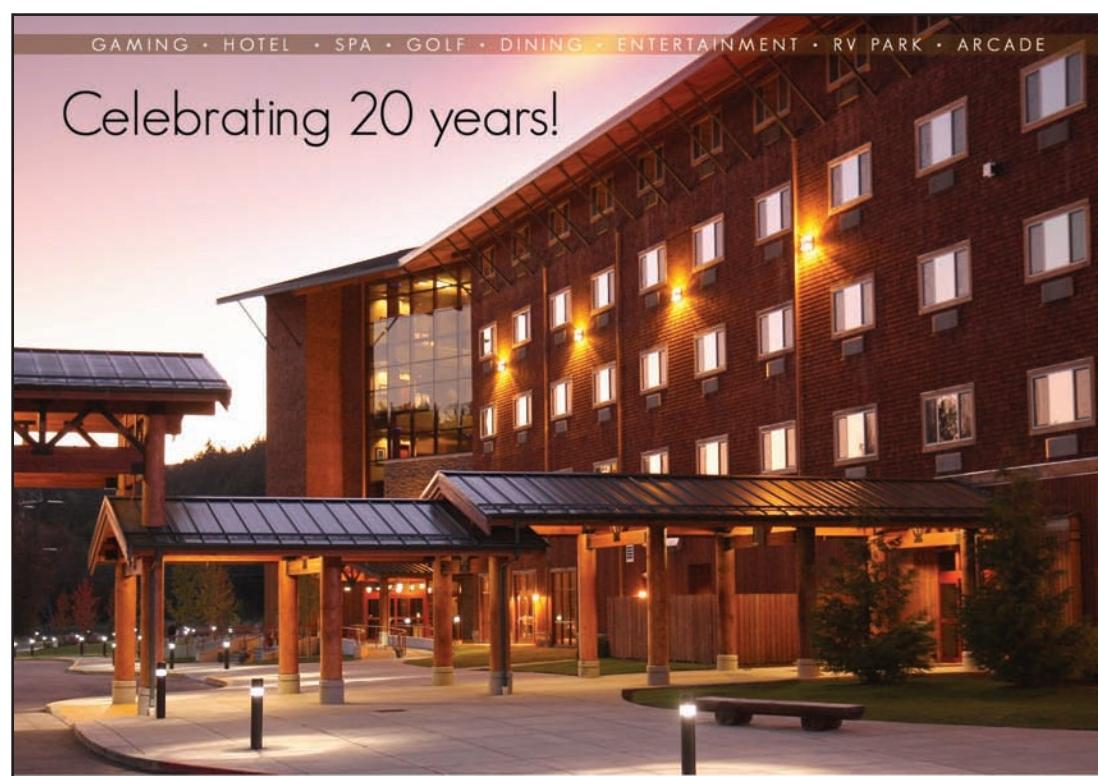
As Oceans Absorb CO₂, They Become More Acidic



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Council Corner

Whitney Jones - As Labor Day fast approaches, we know that September means many things... back to school, the beginning of silver season, and serious football fever. September also happens to be National Suicide Prevention Awareness month and tragically, our community has suffered the loss of too many people over the years to this devastating issue. In an effort to reach out, educate, and bring awareness to this subject, a group of dedicated people with a passion have organized a Suicide Awareness and Prevention Gathering on Tuesday September 8th at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Kitchen. The event will include dinner, motivational guest speaker Litefoot (Gary Davis), a t-shirt giveaway followed by a walk around the rez, and more. Please join in to learn more about suicide prevention and how to support or protect someone who may be at risk. In memory of friends and loved ones who have died, let's work to erase the stigma surrounding depression and mental illness and continue to fight against suicide. Together our community can be the healer that breaks the silence.

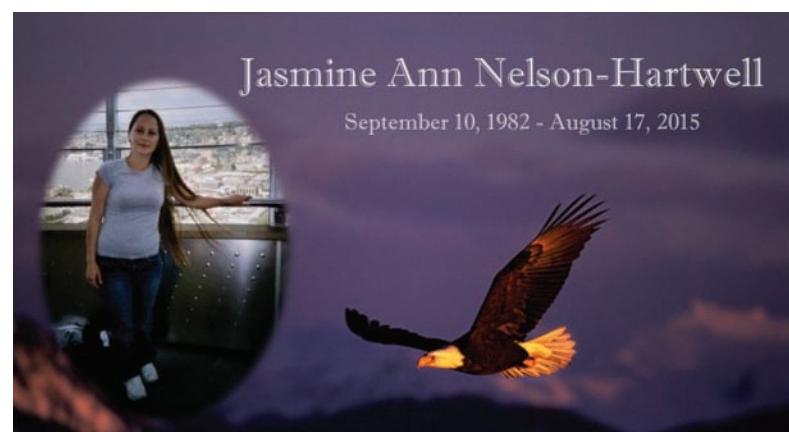
At the time of my writing this, the second Public Budget Hearing has not yet taken place so next month there will be highlights about that. And I'll get some thoughts from Vicki about the wrap up of our FY 2016 budget process.

I mentioned last time that in looking for more ways to communicate information to the General Body that I was exploring a Council Facebook page. Well, as I've done a bit more research it seems that we already have several existing Tribal pages that you may or may not be linked to, but those don't seem to easily share info in the way I was hoping would be more user friendly for you. A better option is to create a specific "group" where info can be posted/shared with the members who all have something in common. I have set up a group, - primarily for information and news sharing and for activity/event reminders - for Tribal members and closely-tied community to join. You can access this group from the Squaxin Island Tribe Facebook page and the name of it is Squaxin Island Tribal Community.

I will keep information posts in the group as up-to-date as possible and as I

learn more about features, there may be opportunity expand how it connects to other Tribal communication tools. I hope it is useful for all of us and I look forward to the growth of the group and the potential for increase of information and communication flow. Let me know your thoughts.

Walking On



Watch for more information in next month's Klab-Che-Min.

We Want to Hear From You! Proposed Garbage and Recycling Code



To review the full code or submit comments please contact Dani Madrone by **September 30** at (360) 432-3955 or dmadrone@squaxin.us

The purpose of this new code is to protect the safety of the community and the health of our air, land and water. It will apply to all Tribal lands, conveyed homes, and Tribally-managed housing.



This code will formalize existing policies and practices that are currently in place for most of the Reservation.

The Department of Community Development will provide information to help the community meet the new standards.

There are many free resources available to help you get rid of unwanted items responsibly!

Things To Know

- No dumping or burying of garbage on Tribal lands.
- Unauthorized vehicles in public spaces will be towed after 24 hours.
- Secure garbage containers with a lid and cover loads during transport.
- Paint, cleaners, vehicle fluids and other hazardous waste must be stored and disposed of safely.
- Appliances, furniture and other bulk waste must be kept out of sight until disposal.

Enforcement

- DCD will enforce this code. Complaints can be made to the Director.
- We will work to resolve issues informally.
- Fines may be imposed if violations cannot be resolved through informal process.

SAFE STREETS



Letter from our Community Liaison Officer:

I would like to take the time to thank a few people for helping make the Squaxin Explorer kickoff on July 11, 2015 a great success. We have begun the process through the first stages of the Explorer's Program and have many to thank for this: Mason County District 4 Chief Bob Burbridge, his personnel and his Explorer Group for bringing their fire apparatus, Mason County Sheriff Department/SWAT Team for having some of their equipment for the kids to check out, Michael Starr and Little Creek Casino for providing the food and drink for all who attended, Squaxin Island Police Department personnel for their ongoing support and help in getting the event planned and executed, Learning4Life for making this possible, Detective Danielle Rickards Mason County Sheriff's Dept. for attending with her Explorer group, Chehalis Tribal Detective Matt Bogart for his attendance and assistance with all the youth, and Lydia and Marty Trinidad for the opening prayer and blessing of the event. Also, we would like to extend our appreciation to the community for supporting this program, because without all of you, this wouldn't be possible.

Our Explorer Group had their first mission on Monday, August 11th to assist in the set-up of the Squaxin Youth Health Fair and staff the Explorer booth. They all did an excellent job for their first outing as a group. We received two applications and 3 more were handed out to possible new recruits. Through the next few months, we hope to accomplish much more to get our group prepared and ready to become the next faces of leadership in our community. I look forward to working with each one of them and am excited to watch each one of you develop into the next generation of confident leaders for our Tribe and community.

Thank you all,
R. Klusman
Squaxin Island Police Dept./ Community Liaison Officer

Drug and Alcohol Related Calls for Service From the Squaxin Island Police Department for the month of July 2015:

19 total incidents (9 Drug, 9 Alcohol, 1 undetermined)

- Arrests 3
- Citations/Infractions 3
- Referred to other Agency 4
- Referred to Tribal Court 3



Education
Communication Motivated Elders
Activities Police Safety Pride
Identify Working Drugs Support
Children Change
Plan Culture Force Jobs
Pray Addiction Fear Watch Drug Come Parents
Places Task Love Domestic Government Tools Peer
Clean Recovery Pressure Hope Connect
Goals More Document Reach Safe
VOC-Rehab Parent NA/AA Neighborhood
Issues Tribal Neighborhood
Together Respect Action
Involvement Organize Involved

A Year of Safe Streets

Safe Streets would like to recognize some very important people who have helped us to be a success over the last year. Please join us for our appreciation dinner and to help celebrate our first year! September 15th at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Kitchen.

Look forward to seeing you,
Patricia Green
Community Mobilization Intern



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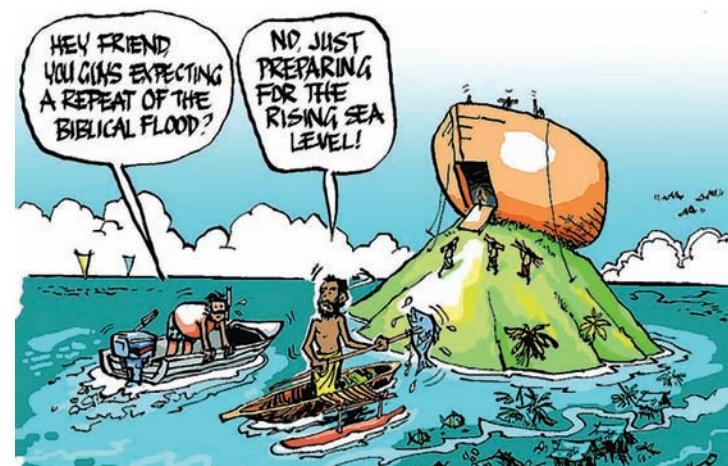
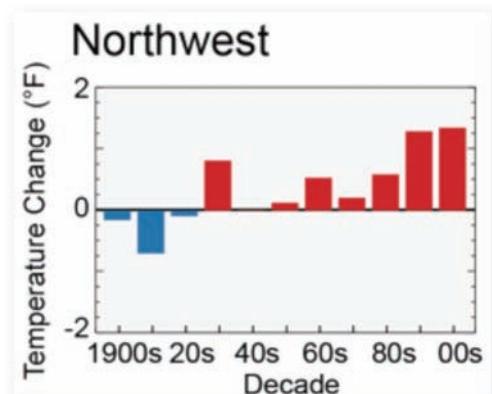
• Sea Level Rise (SLR)

- 1) Squaxin Islands shorelines will change with SLR
- 2) Our first foods will be affected by SLR
- 3) Global sea levels are projected to rise 1-4 feet by 2100
- 4) SLR is one of the five major threats to the Northwest region

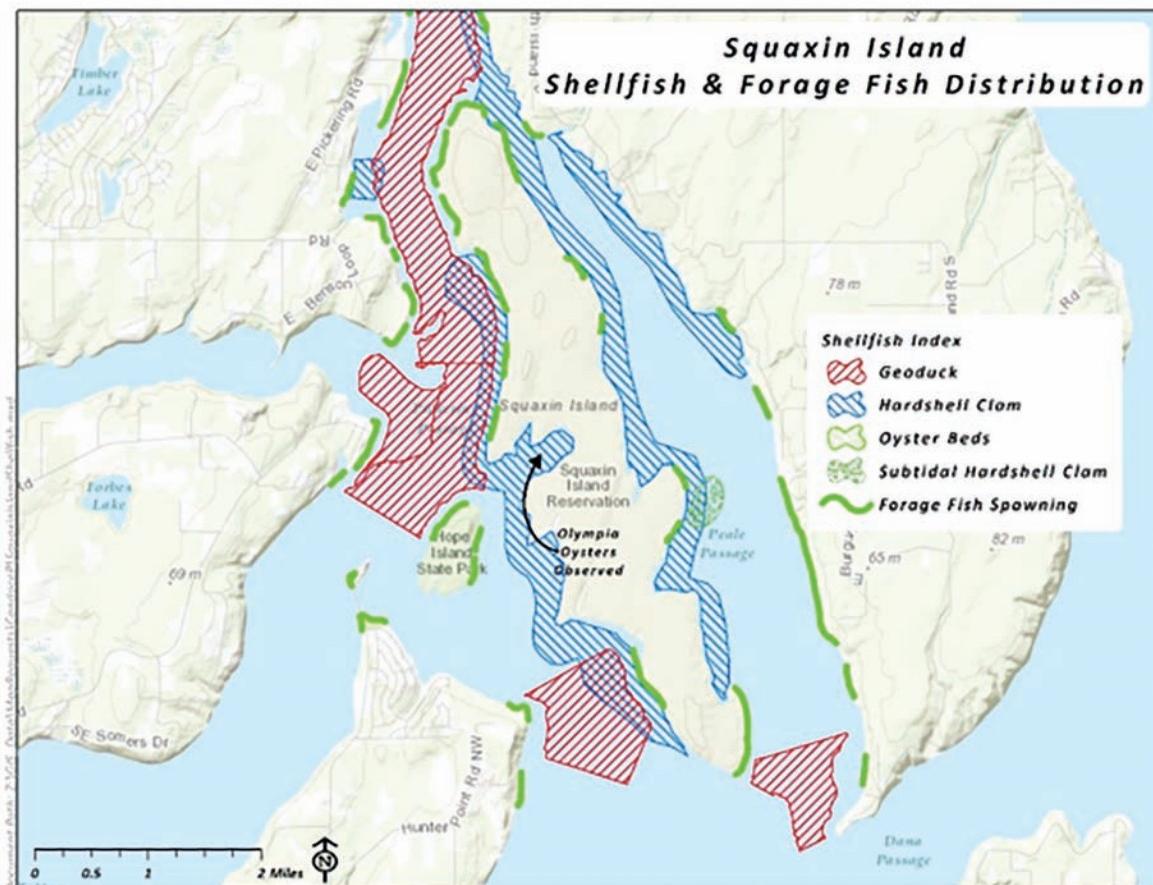


• **Rising Temperatures:** The most recent decade was the nation's warmest on record. Temperatures in the United States are expected to continue to rise. Because of human-induced warming, U.S. average temperatures have risen and are expected to rise more – how much more depends primarily on the amount of heat-trapping gases emitted globally. Heat trapping gasses like carbon emissions are a point source of this problem.

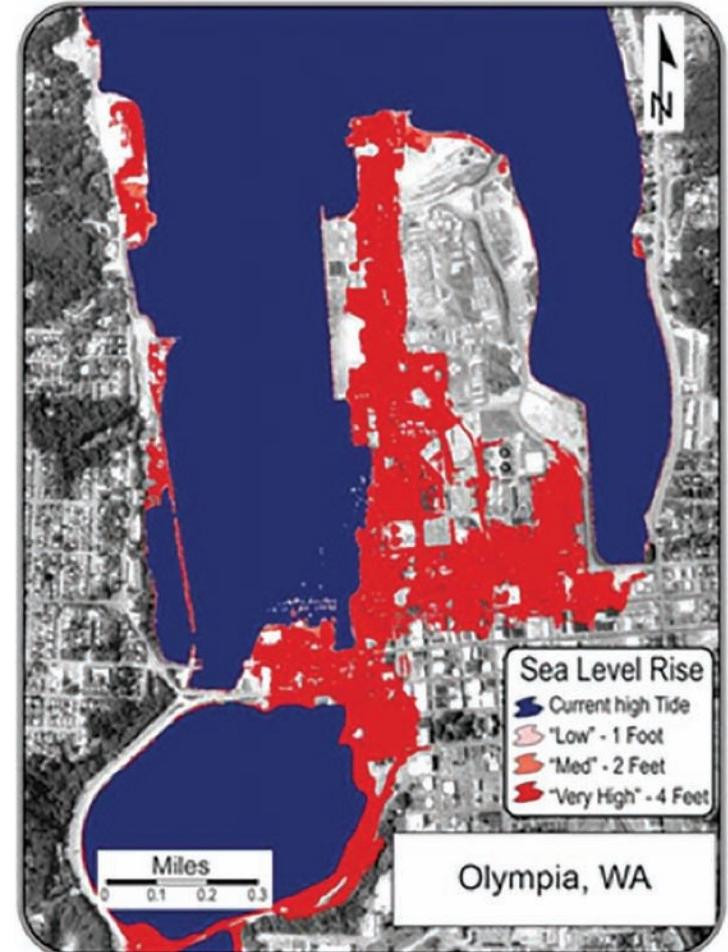
If you're interested in learning more, the Squaxin Island Natural Resources blog's most recent post talks about our future projects and first nations climate change issues. The blog also has link to a presentation that I gave to our Tribal Council. I felt as though I left them wanting more information about climate change here in the Pacific Northwest. I hope you, as well, are left wanting more information. I will be happy to email anyone more links and media that illustrate issues related to climate change or just sit down and talk about climate change.



You can make a difference!



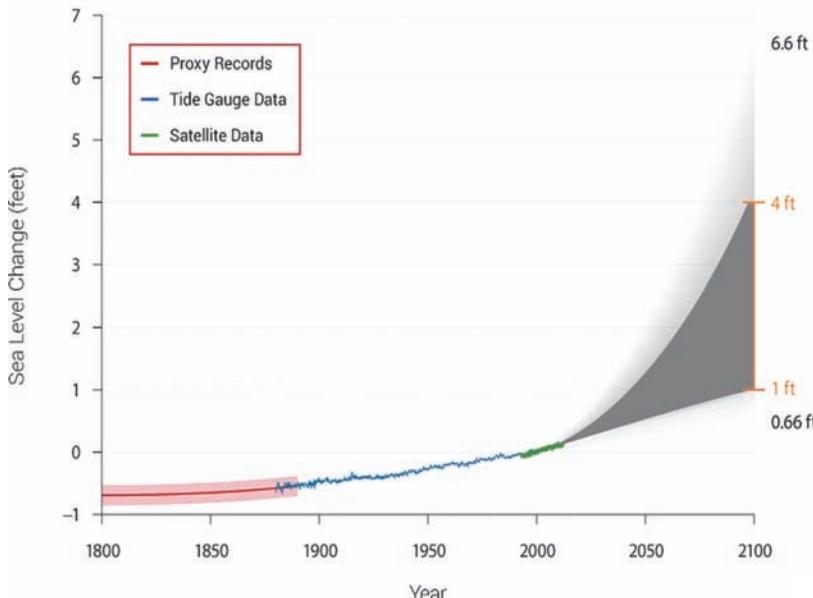
(How will Squaxin Islands shores look when the sea level rises?)



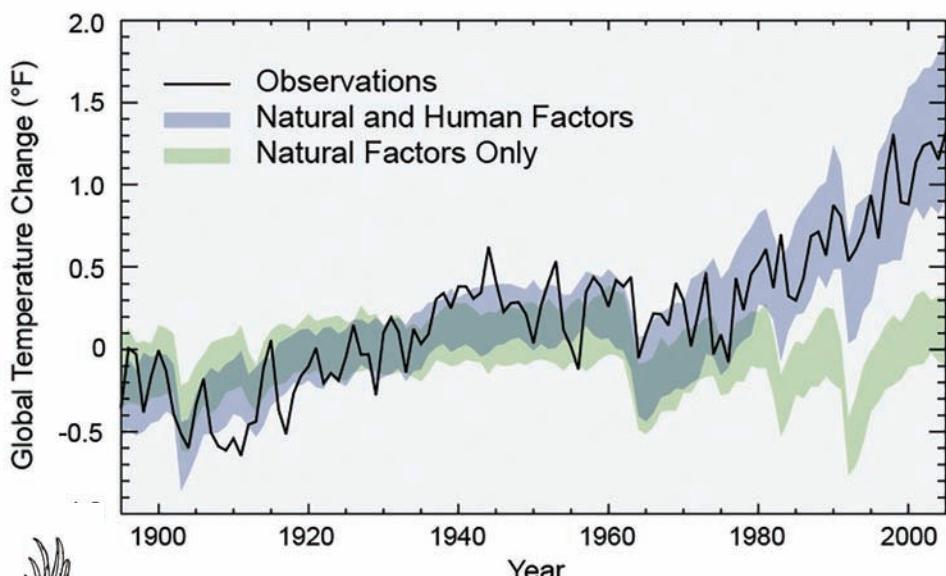
NATURAL RESOURCES



Past and Projected Changes in Global Sea Level



Separating Human and Natural Influences on Climate



Billy Frank Jr. to be Inducted to Wild Salmon Hall of Fame

Wild Salmon Hall of Fame Gala will honor longtime treaty rights and salmon proponent



(Belfair, WA) On Saturday, October 10th, the Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group's Salmon Center will honor the legacy of Billy Frank Jr., by inducting him into the Wild Salmon Hall of Fame. Billy Frank Jr.'s son, Willie Frank, will be accepting the award on his behalf.

The inductees to the Wild Salmon Hall of Fame are chosen for their contributions to saving wild salmon populations throughout the Northwest. Billy Frank Jr. fought his entire life to preserving salmon. From his activism that helped lead to the 1974's Boldt Decision to his work as chairman of the Northwest Fisheries Commission, Billy fought for healthy streams, restoring estuaries, removing blockages, and most importantly, protecting and sustaining the Northwest Culture and way of life.

"We can't overstate how long lasting his legacy will be. He pushed the state when he needed to push the state. And he reminded the state when it needed reminding. His legacy is going to be with us for generations. My grandkids are going to benefit from his work." —Governor Jay Inslee

The event, which will be taking place at the Kitsap Conference Center, will include hors d'oeuvres during a Northwest-themed art show featuring local artists Amy Burnett and Ken Lundemo. The art pieces will be available to purchase, and a portion of each sale will benefit the Salmon Center. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm and an auction will take place during this part of the evening as well. The auction will serve as an opportunity for event attendees to bid on special needs that the Salmon Center depends on in order to "stay the course" that Billy Frank Jr. has paved for us. The proceeds from the auction will help fund projects such as youth-summer programs, summer chum and steelhead research, and undergraduate internships, along with a number of other underfunded needs of the Salmon Center.

Tickets for this event can be reserved for \$100 per plate at www.pnwsalmoncenter.org/wshf For additional information please contact Beth Gizzi at 360) 275-3575 ext. 10 or beth@pnwsalmoncenter.org.

About the Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group

The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group is one of 14 Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups, or RFEGs, created by the Washington State Legislature in 1990. The RFEGs were created to be active partners in assisting Washington State in salmon recovery efforts, supported by community volunteers. The RFEGs were tasked with supplementing fish populations, restoring salmon habitat, and developing salmon-related education programs. The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group was granted 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation status in November 1990. For more information, visit www.pnwsalmoncenter.org.



**Jason Lawson
Police Officer**

Hi! I started out in the U.S. Coast Guard as a boat crewman and, once out of the military, I entered the law enforcement career. I have been in law enforcement since 2002.

I am married with 3 step-children and 2 children of my own. I am also an enrolled Cherokee member.

Squaxin Island police are a great group of people. They have been open and friendly during my hiring process. I am excited to be working with everyone and learning about the area.

I look forward to working and learning about Squaxin Island.



Are You Marines or Navy?

Our Marine Corps League Detachment #482 (Cecil Cheeka is a member) is looking for men and women who have served or are still serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, Navy Corpsman, or Navy Chaplain who served with the Fleet Marine Forces to join our Marine Corps League Detachment # 482.

Our Marine Corps League Detachment meets:

First Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m.

Meetings last between 1 – 1½ hours.

Breakfast is optional

Address is: 2902 Martin Way East, Olympia, WA 98506
(The VFW POST 318 lets us use their hall for our meetings)

New Employees



**Tamika Green
Office Assistant III
Tribal Gaming**

Hi! I am from the Bagley family. I have worked in various jobs throughout the Tribe.

Many of you know me as a positive, happy person.

I am excited to further my work experience. I am most excited about meeting fellow employees and learning how my position will benefit the department.

I look forward to my new job and the success it will offer me.



**Lynn White
Tutor**

Hi! I have been hired as the middle and junior high school Tutor for TLC.

I have my education degree from Central Washington University.

I have a 3 year-old daughter and a son on his way!

I am looking forward to working with the youth of Squaxin Island Tribe and working with families of the community.

I hope to be a positive role model for the youth.



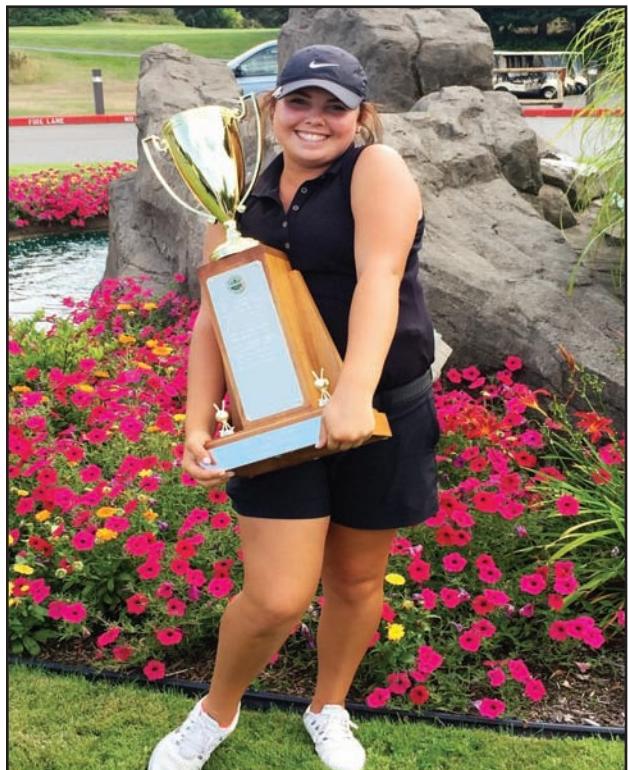
First Salmon Ceremony photo by Jennifer Ulrich

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Congratulations Kenedee Peters

Player of the Year Washington State Junior Golf
Overall State Champion
State Champion for 14-15 age group
MVP of the Junior America's Cup Team



First Salmon Ceremony photos by Josh Whitener, Margaret Henry, Patty Suskin, Rana Brown, Teresa Coley, Famie Mason, Joe Peters, and Jolene Grover



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CHUM Project/Teen Center

Laurel Wolff - Summer was full of fun activities. The High School and Jr. High basketball teams traveled to Seattle to watch the Seattle Storm play against Shoni Schimmel's team, the Atlanta Dream. Our players with the best practice attendance were able to join the Seattle Storm team on the floor during the warm ups. The CHUM Project also took teens to the Evergreen State College for some teambuilding and zip-lining. The teens challenged themselves to overcome physically and mentally challenging activities. The challenge course was very fun and we hope to have it become an annual activity. A number of Squaxin teens participated in the Youth Canoe Journey to Muckleshoot. The teens showed lots of strength, respect and growth during the journey.

The Mary John's Teen Center opens for afterschool activities again on September 2nd and lots of things are planned for September:

- All youth interested in joining our basketball teams this year should attend the team meeting on September 3rd, from 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the gym. In this meeting we will go over expectations and needs of the team.
- Girl's Circle will travel to Olympia on September 9th to go to a movie, visit Radiance Herbs and walk around the city.
- We will celebrate the start of a new school year with games and a BBQ on September 14th.
- September 18th is an early release day for Shelton School District. On this day we will visit Laurel's farm called, "Hoof Hearted," and play kickball.
- Youth Council has voted to change the times of their meetings to Tuesdays from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. We have a group of teens that get together before the Youth Council meetings for a cooking activity. We will be making tasty treats that we can then eat during the Youth Council meetings. We encourage more teens to join us.
- Drum group will continue to take place at the museum at 5:00 p.m.

Laurel Wolff teen advocate: 432-3842

Check Facebook for updates to Calendar!

Teen Center Open 3:00-6:00 M-F unless otherwise noted

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Teen Center Closed	2 Welcome Back	3 Strength Class 4-5pm Basketball Team Meeting 5-5:30pm	4 Teen Center Closed
7 Teen Center Closed	8 Basketball practice 3:30 - 4:45 Teen Chefs 3:30-5:30 Youth Council 5:30-6:30	9 Girl's Circle Trip to Oly Basketball practice 3:30 - 4:45	10 Basketball practice 3:30 - 4:45 DIY CRAFTS 3:30-5:00 Drum Group 5pm @ Museum	11 Strength Class 4:30-5:30 Grandparent Dessert Day 5:30-6:30
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Squaxin Youth Education, Recreation and Activities Calendar

TLC Hours: M-F 7:30am-7:00pm Front Desk: 432-3958 Rec Rm: 432-3957 (only 3-6pm)

All activities are drug, alcohol and tobacco free.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
	1 CLOSED	2 <i>SSD-First Day of School</i> Rec Rm: 3-6pm Crafty Kitchen: 5-6pm Open Gym: 3-6pm Open Swim: 3-6pm	3 Rec Rm: 3-6pm Cultural Activity: 5-6pm Open Gym: 3-6pm	4 No After-School Program
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After School Snacks: Computer Lab: Sylvan: Homework Help, GED Prep:	M-F 3-4:45pm M-Th 3-7, F 3-5pm M-Th 4:30-6:30pm T-TH 4-7pm	ER = Early Release WHL = Wa-He-Lut Indian School SSD = Shelton School District GSD = Griffin School District	I.T.B. – Inter-Tribal B-Ball High School: 9-12 Grade Middle School: 6-8 Grade Elementary: 4-5 Grade	



Youth Council

Tuesdays
5-6pm

In the Mary John's Room

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Back to School Education Forum

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

TIME: 5:00-7:00 PM

Community Kitchen

Parents and community members are invited to attend a dinner and have an open discussion of your thoughts, ideas or concerns about any part of the Education Department.

We will also share some the TLC plans for the new 2015-2016 school year.

For more information call:

Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center, 360-432-3958



GED Preparation Classes and Homework Support

Jamie Burris - I am here to guide you along your learning path Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Tu Ha Buts Learning Center classroom. If you want to work toward your GED, come and take a practice test to see where you are at in your learning and begin this journey for transforming your life! If you are still in school, get your school year off to a positive start! Start coming in daily to begin a routine of coming to a quiet place to work on homework, read and study. I am happy to sign planners once you have read for 20 minutes and completed homework.

For more information, please contact:

Jamie Burris

jburris@mccleary.wednet.edu.

Special Events at TLC

- Thursday the 11th from 5:30-6:30 we are inviting Grandparents to join us for Dessert. We will some yummy homemade treats made by the youth in the Rec. Room. We look forward to seeing all the Grandparents.



- Monday the 14th we are celebrating the youth returning to school. We are having a BBQ for the youth from 4:00-4:45.



If you have any questions, please contact Jerilynn at 432-3992 or jvail@squaxin.us

The Salmon Homecoming Alliance

has respectfully invited 4th & 5th Graders students to participate 23rd Salmon Homecoming School Days Celebration

We will leave on **Thursday, September 17th** to participate in the hands-on activities at Waterfront Park located next to the Seattle Aquarium.

Kids will have the opportunity to:

- Participate in Hands-on Activities learning about:
 - Salmon Life Cycle and Habitat
 - Watch a Live Dive Show
 - Hear from Local Storytellers



We will provide:

- A sack lunch, snacks and water
- Transportation:
- The Van will leave the TLC gym at 8am
- We return around 3:00 p.m. to the TLC Gym

Space is limited to 10 youth. First come, first serve.

- Each youth attending must have 100% school attendance prior to the 17th.
- Each parent must write a note to the school excusing your child for the day.
- Permission Slips must be **returned to Jerilynn by Monday the 14th** to be eligible to participate.

Please contact Jerilynn with any questions at 432-3992 or jvail@squaxin.us



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School Year Starting

There is a lot of excitement going on as we start the new school year. At the Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center, we have a variety of services to offer students of all ages. We encourage everyone to stop in and see us, check out the Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center Facebook page, or give us a call at (360) 432-3958 to ask any questions about what services we can offer.

We are also planning another Education Forum for September 9, 2015. This is one of the Education Department's activities to get community input on our current programs and services, seek community guidance on the ways the department could be growing and improving, and share a meal and visit. Please join us in the Community Kitchen, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Youth Afterschool Program

Jerilynn Vail - We are excited to get back into our after-school schedule. Our after-school food program continues with an afterschool snack, then a light meal offered from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. We have specific food guidelines we are required to follow throughout the school year. If your child has any food allergies, we have medical release forms that require a doctor's signature.

From our regular weekly schedule, Monday is Game Day, Tuesday is Arts-n-Crafts, Wednesday is Crafty Kitchen Concoctions, Thursday features cultural activities, and Friday is Fun Day. These themed activities take place from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. We have our activity calendar hung up in the Rec Room and we also have copies for youth to take home.

There is a cubby list hung up in the Rec Room for all the youth. Please remind your children that they may keep items in their cubbies until they go home – so please don't leave valuables in the cubby overnight.

A few other things to keep in mind for September:

- Please watch for upcoming information regarding the Inter-Tribal Basketball League. We will post information on the Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center Facebook page and in the Daily Scoop.
- Grandparents Dessert will be on Friday the 11th from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. in the Rec. Room.
- Back to school BBQ will be on Monday the 14th from 4:00 - 4:45. We will have hot dogs, homemade baked beans and fruit salad.
- Be on the lookout for flyers for our field trip for 4th Graders to attend the Salmon Homecoming School Day on September 17th in Seattle.



SQUAXIN BASKETBALL TEAM MEETING

SEPTEMBER
3RD
5-5:30PM
IN TLC GYM



All youth
and families
interested
in playing
this season
are
encouraged
to come



Marijuana Positive Drivers Increase

Mason County, WA – Newly released data from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) shows that marijuana is increasing as a factor in deadly crashes. The number of drivers involved in deadly crashes who tested positive for marijuana increased 48 percent from 2013 to 2014.

"We have seen marijuana involvement in fatal crashes remain steady over the years, and then it just spiked in 2014," said Dr. Staci Hoff, WTSC Data and Research Director.

From 2010-2014, nearly 60% of drivers involved in fatal collisions were tested for drugs. Among these tested drivers, approximately 20% (349 drivers) were positive for marijuana.

However, just testing positive for marijuana doesn't necessarily indicate if a driver was actually affected by the drug at the time of the crash since marijuana can be detected in a person's blood for days (possibly weeks) after a person uses the drug. This new data is able to distinguish between drivers who test positive for THC, the impairing substance in marijuana and those who have residual marijuana in their system from prior use which may have occurred days ago.

The number of drivers testing positive for active THC has steadily increased, from less than half of marijuana positive drivers in 2010 up to almost 65% of drivers in 2013. In 2014, an alarming 85% (75 of 89 drivers) of drivers testing positive for marijuana were positive for impairing THC.

"With this data we are finally able to see who was high during the crash versus which drivers had used marijuana in the past few days," said Hoff, "The answer in 2014 is most of them were high."

Approximately half of these THC-positive drivers exceeded the 5 ng/ml THC per se limit (A "per se" limit is the amount of a substance in a person's blood that according to Washington law makes the person DUI notwithstanding other evidence.)

According to the new data, the driver with the highest THC level was tested at 70 ng/ml. Half of these THC-positive drivers were also under the influence of alcohol, the majority of those also exceeded the alcohol per se limit of 0.08 BAC.

A new law prohibits drivers and passengers from using marijuana while driving. It also prohibits anyone from keeping marijuana in the vehicle unless it is in its original sealed packaging or is stored in the trunk or some other area of the car not normally occupied by people.

From 2008 through 2014, more than 1,100 people died in impaired collisions in Washington. Impaired driving is involved in nearly half of all traffic deaths and more than 20 percent of serious injury collisions. The highest percentage of these deaths occurs during the summer months.

That is why the WTSC participates in the National Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign. From now through Labor Day, the Commission is letting the public know that extra officers will be out across the state at times and locations where DUI is a problem.

"It is our hope that by publicizing these extra patrols more people will plan ahead if they will be drinking or using marijuana," said Grondel. "Don't risk getting arrested for a DUI, or causing a life-changing tragedy. Designate a sober, drug-free driver."

In Mason County, the Shelton and Squaxin Police Departments, the Mason County Sheriff's Office and the Washington State Patrol will be teaming up and participating in the extra patrols, with the support of the Mason County Target Zero Traffic Safety Task Force.

All of these extra patrols are part of Target Zero—striving to end traffic deaths and serious injuries in Washington by 2030. For more information, visit www.targetzero.com.



Squaxin Tourism Sponsors Sand in the City Sculpture

This year, to promote the Squaxin Island Museum, SIT Tourism sponsored a Sand in the City sculpture featuring the Star Child legend. The sculpted piece features the three sisters coming down from the stars with assistance from the Animal Nation.

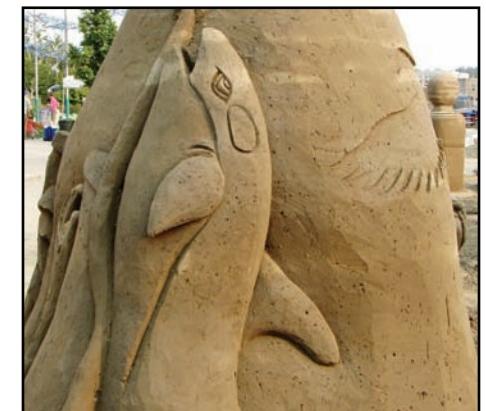
Ed Mah, our sculptor, needed assistance, so Charlene Krise called upon Taylor Krise to assist with the sculpture. Taylor carved the fish in the coastal style and helped with the wolf and bear. Ed Mah was so impressed with Taylor's work he has asked that Taylor join him next year in a sand sculpture.

Sand in the City brings in tens of thousands of visitors.

"I wanted to promote the museum to a large audience," said Leslie Johnson, Director of Squaxin Island Tourism. "The casino and IEI also partnered with the Hands on Children's Museum for the event. I thought this would be a perfect fit."

In addition, the Star Child legend was printed at the sculpture. Many, many people stood at the sculpture reading aloud the legend to their children. Or, sometimes, the children read the legend to their families.

This event was so successful for the musuem we are planning to have another sculpture in 2016.





COMMUNITY



Center News

September 2015

(360) 426-1390

Attention!

ATTENTION!

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL MEMBERS

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2015

The FACTORY OUTLET STORE will now offer

\$10.00

DISCOUNTS

EVERY CARTON

EVERY DAY!

We will continue to run our "SPECIALS" several times thru out the year
Watch for them in the Kla-Che-Min and DAILY SCOOP

Hours: M - F 9 AM – 3 PM

MUST SHOW TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CARD

September is here!

School is here! The Black Bear classroom will all head off to Kindergarten and First Grade this month. This means it's time for the centers biggest month of transitions. If your child will be moving rooms during this transition your teachers will be sure to touch base with you. Feel free to go explore your child's new classroom and get to know their teachers. If you have any con-

Looking For...

We are always looking for volunteers to come tell stories, read, dance, sing or do crafts with the kiddos. If you are interested please contact the office. Donations of clothes, craft items, books, and non-violent toys are always welcome too. Thanks for all your support!

Picture Day

September 10th and 11th is picture day!
Class pictures will be taken on the 11th!

Center Events

- September 2nd (Shelton) 1st Day of School
- September 4th closed for Staff In-Service
- September 7th closed for Labor Day
- September 9th (Griffin) 1st Day of School

Our Mission

To provide a nurturing, challenging environment that encourages and enhances each child's on-going learning and development through play.

SQUAXIN YOUTH CANOE JOURNEY 2015



Photos by Patrick Braese, Sadie Whitener, Aleta Poste, Astrid Poste, Patricia Green, Jeremiah George, Charlene Abrahamson, Donny Hartwell, Jolene Grover, Lenny Hawks, Leslie Johnson, Mike Edwards, Morningstar Green, Terri Capoeman, Susan McFarlane (front page), Charlene Krise and Will Penn



SQUAXIN YOUTH CANOE JOURNEY 2015





SALMON CEREMONY



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SQUAXIN YOUTH CANOE JOURNEY 2015





HEALTH CLINIC



Purchased Referred Care Services Information

(Formerly known as Contract Health Services)

We would like to remind everyone of information that is important for your Purchased Referred Care (PRC) formally known as Contract Health Services (CHS).

If you do not have any medical insurance, it is required by PRC rules that you apply for alternate resources, for us that includes ProviderOne (Medicaid), even if you feel that you would not be eligible. **PRC must show proof of acceptance or denial.** You can make an appointment with Jacyln Meyer at the front desk at Squaxin Island Health Clinic and she will help you get signed up with ProviderOne (Apple). Even though you may already have a Primary Insurance such as Group Health Options, Medicare or First Choice, etc., you can still sign up for ProviderOne and you may be eligible, giving you Double Medical Coverage.

Another issue that has been brought to our attention is co-pays, deductible, co-insurance and RX payments to Group Health. **If you are seen at Group Health for any emergency, pregnancy or for care that cannot be obtained at our clinic, you will need to pay any out of pocket costs.** We are unable to coordinate PRC benefits with Group Health, thus requiring you to pay instead of obtaining a purchase order. You may be eligible to have these out of pocket costs reimbursed. Once you have paid, submit the receipt to Tootsie at PRC in a timely manner.

Once she has established if you are eligible, she will be able to submit a request to have you reimbursed for these out of pocket costs.

Remember to call to get your Purchase Orders.

- If you are PRC eligible and you have an appointment, lab work or x-rays outside of our clinic, you must obtain a Purchase Order before your appointment,
- If our clinic makes arrangements for an appointment, it is still YOUR responsibility to obtain a Purchase Order,
- All Purchase Orders are for the date of the appointment only,
- If your appointment is Rescheduled or Cancelled, REMEMBER it is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to call for a new Purchase Order.
- Also, it is wise to call ahead of time instead of on the day of your appointment.

You can get a Purchase Order from Tootsie by calling 360-432-3922.

You are always welcome to call Tootsie at 360-432-3922 if you have any questions about PRC or what the rules and regulations are.



FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING 2015

The First Week of each month
Either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday



Blood Pressure checked by your friendly neighborhood firefighters

Where: Elder's building
When: 11:45am - 12:45 pm
Everyone is welcome!



WIC at SPIPA
(Women, Infants, and Children)
provides healthy foods & nutrition information for you and your child up to age 5.
Please bring:
Your child, Provider One Card or paystub and Identification for you & your child

Contact at SPIPA for an appointment:
Debbie Gardipee-Reyes
360 462-3227, gardipee@spipa.org
or Patty Suskin 360 462-3224

Annual Sports Physical

K-12 STUDENTS SCHOOL ATHLETIC PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

It is very important if you know your child will be participating in school sports program, at any point in the year, the school requires an

ANNUAL SPORTS PHYSICAL

Schedule your child(s) sports physical prior to school year beginning to assure they attain it in timely manner.



SQUAXIN ISLAND HEALTH CLINIC

90 S.E. Klah-che-min Dr.
Shelton, Wa. 98584

Phone: 360-427-9006
Fax: 360-427-1951


Squaxin Island
Health Clinic

Pulling Together



HEALTH CLINIC



Check out the Chambers Lake Boat Launch/Chehalis-Western Trailhead

Located at 3725 14th Avenue SE at Chehalis-Western Trailhead

Submitted by Patty Suskin, Diabetes Coordinator - This is a great place for a picnic by the lake or to start a walk or bike ride on the Chehalis-Western Trail. Your dog is welcome to join you!

The Chehalis-Western trailhead at Chambers Lake, located on 14th Avenue in Olympia, provides parking, picnic areas, boat launch facilities, fishing, restroom facilities and other amenities for trail users.

Directions (about 25 minutes from the Rez):

Take Hwy 101 south toward Olympia/Lacey.

Take I-5 North.

Take Sleater-Kinney Rd (Exit 108) off I- 5.



Head South on Sleater- Kinney (RIGHT turn).

Stay on Sleater-Kinney straight past Value Village, Target, and Pacific Avenue.

Turn RIGHT on 14th Avenue (at the flashing red light).

Trailhead is on the LEFT in ¼ mile (easy to miss-look for the old RR bridge-it starts just beyond it, almost under the bridge.)

Its a great place to park & enjoy the Chehalis-Western Trail



Clinic Events

Mammogram Clinic

September 25th

Contact Traci Lopeman

360-432-3930

Brief Community Walk

Every Monday at 12:40 p.m.

Elder's Building after lunch

Free Diabetes Screening

at Health Promotions

Tuesday through Friday

Contact Melissa Grant

*Contact Melissa Grant (360)432-3926
Patty Suskin (360)432-3929*

Smart Shopping/ Food Label Workshops

Contact Patty to schedule

Health Promotions

We have exercise videos

Work out alone, with us

or schedule a time for a group

Lifestyle Balance Program

If you are ready to lose weight,

we can provide support.

Native American and over 18

HPV CANCER PREVENTION

HPV VACCINE IS CANCER PREVENTION

HPV vaccine protects against HPV types that most commonly cause anal, cervical, oropharyngeal, penile, vaginal, and vulvar cancers.

1

Every year in the U.S., 27,000 people get cancer caused by HPV.
That's 1 person every 20 minutes of every day, all year long.

Most of these cancers can be prevented by HPV vaccine.

2

HPV VACCINE IS RECOMMENDED AT THE SAME TIME AS OTHER TEEN VACCINES

Preteens need three vaccines at 11 or 12. They protect against whooping cough, cancers caused by HPV, and meningitis.

Rx
Vaccines for your 11-12 year old:
✓ Tdap
✓ HPV
✓ Meningococcal

3

HPV VACCINE IS BEST AT 11-12 YEARS

Preteens have a higher immune response to HPV vaccine than older teens.



While there is very little risk of exposure to HPV before age 13, the risk of exposure increases thereafter.

Parents and healthcare professionals are the key to protecting adolescents from HPV cancers.

VACCINATE YOUR 11-12 YEAR OLDS.

www.cdc.gov/vaccines/teens





HEALTH CLINIC



September is National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month

Obesity in the American Indian/Alaska Native Community

Submitted by Patty Suskin, Diabetes Coordinator - Over the past three decades, childhood obesity rates in America have tripled. Obesity is more than two times more common among American Indian/Alaska Native children (31%) than among white (16%) or Asian (13%) children. That is one out of 3 children are obese!

This rate is higher than any other racial or ethnic group studied.

Obesity has serious health consequences.

Childhood obesity puts kids at risk for health problems that were once seen only in adults such as type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, and heart disease.

What can you do to reduce the risk of obesity your family?

Here are some ideas that others have shared:

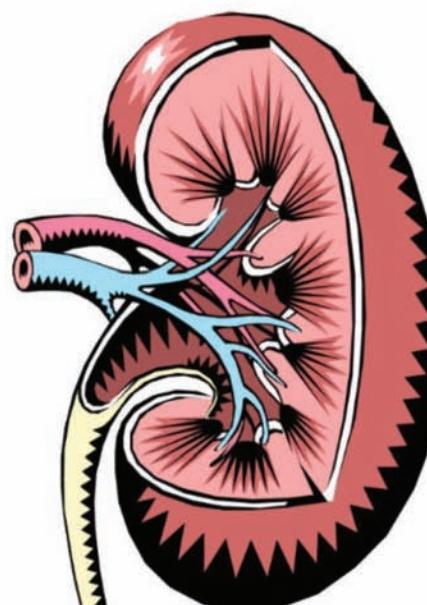
"We stopped the pop. I don't buy pop or Gatorade or any of that stuff anymore. We sometimes have juice, but only a few drops in the water. We all drink water now. I like to put berries or cucumber or something in the water to give it a little flavor. It was really hard at first, but we feel better now. I know I am doing the right thing for my family."

"Eating vegetables every day - at least twice a day. We used to hardly ever eat vegetables. I know it is better for my family & fill us up. I've lost weight, too!"

"Family Walks: We decided to walk every day. We like to go after dinner. Sometimes it is only for 10 minutes, but we are doing it. On days off work, we like to go on a short hike. It gives us a chance to enjoy the outdoors."



Youth Fair



At Risk for Kidney Disease?

Submitted by Patty Suskin, Diabetes Coordinator

You are at risk for kidney disease if you have:

- Diabetes
- High blood pressure
- Heart disease
- A family history of kidney failure

If you have any of these risk factors, get tested for kidney disease. Early kidney disease has no signs or symptoms.

Kidney disease can affect people of all ages and races. American Indians tend to have a greater risk for kidney failure. This is mostly due to higher rates of diabetes and high blood pressure in these communities. There may be other reasons, too.

Get checked for kidney disease and learn about what you can do to keep your kidneys healthy. You can help delay or even prevent kidney failure by treating kidney disease early.

Diabetes and Kidney Disease

Out of Control Diabetes is the leading cause of kidney failure. In fact, 44 percent of people starting dialysis have kidney failure relating to diabetes.

Blood sugars out of control can damage your kidneys. This damage can happen over many years, without you feeling it. That is why it is so important for people with diabetes to manage their diabetes and get tested for kidney disease. Both type 1 and type 2 diabetes can cause kidney disease.

See tips on how to keep your kidneys healthier longer at <http://nkdep.nih.gov/learn/keep-kidneys-healthy.shtml>

High Blood Pressure and Kidney Disease

High blood pressure is the second leading cause of kidney failure. High blood pressure can damage your kidneys. This damage can happen over many years, without you feeling it. That is why it is so important for people with high blood pressure to control their blood pressure and get tested for kidney disease.

For most people, a blood pressure of 140/90 or above is considered high. Talk to your health care provider about the right blood pressure for you. See tips on how to keep your kidneys healthier

Call the clinic at 360.427.9006 for an appointment





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September Happy Birthdays

1
Kui Lee Tahkeal Jr.
Jeremiah Longshore
Alexander Solano
Vanessa A. Tom
Patrick Wayne Whitener

2
Jason Gabriel West

3
Austin Ray Peters
Rose M Krise
Kezia Marie Wentworth
Malachi Hartwell-Kinison

4
Kathrine Darlene Neilsen
Marty Joe Trinidad Jr.

5
Latoya Jean Johns
McKenzie Brearley-Lorentz

6
James Vincent Youngs
Elijah Joseph Krise

7
Zayne Garner Dorland
Joshua P. Coble
Danielle Garnet Leas
Talon Andrew Peterson
Wayne Joseph Lewis

8
William M. Weythman
Charles Wesley Scheibel
Barry Wayne Hagmann
William Dean Hagmann
Justine Amber Mowitch

9
Alexsii G. Vigil
Kaleb Joseph William Lutolf
Levi Lee Connally
Lewis R. Napoleon
Avary M Jimmie
River Guardipee
Joseph Stewart-Kinchler

10
Debra Leone Mattson
Roger Joseph Peters
Madison C.M. Mowrey

11
Madeena M. Rivera

12
Austin K. Brearley-Lorentz

13
Anthony Joseph Ramirez III
Robert Thomas Farron
Kaitlyn Michelle Brandt

15
Jonathan E. Harrell
Gracelyn June Wier
Kristen Michelle Davis
Florence A. Sigo

16
Evelyn Rae Krise-Lyon
Jamie Danielle Slaughter

17
Kenedee K. Peters
Cassie Ann Colbert
Markie Jean Smith
Carmen Marie Algea

18
Tiana Feather Henry
Tia Marie Jordan
Willow A. Henry
Stephen Mark West

19
Francis Alfred Bloomfield
Frances E. Starr
Sophia L. Pinon
Raiatea C. K. Villanueva
Calvin Wayne Farr

20
Terry Lee Brownfield
Kayla Marie Johnson

21
Melody Marie Moliga
Jada Lesley Krise
Kassidy Burrow
Gregory Scott Koenig
Desmond Ashley Smith
Esther Melinda Fox

22
Michael N. Peters
Gloria Jean Hill
Kim Monique Cowing
Kiona Breeze Krise

23
Mykah Jayson Masoner
Amanda Rae Peters-Pierce
Chris T. Clementson
Leslie Allen Cooper Jr.
Angel Lorene Sen
Peter William Kruger, Jr.

24
Linda Lee Lake
Donald Lynn Whitener

25
Joan M. Rioux

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Ronald Curtis Fletcher
Susan Jeanette McKenzie
Vernon P. Kenyon
Barney Eugene Cooper

27
Dawne Marie Elam
David Ernest Lopeman

29
Donald James Smith

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Isaiah Gaylen F. Schlottmann
Kim S. Kenyon

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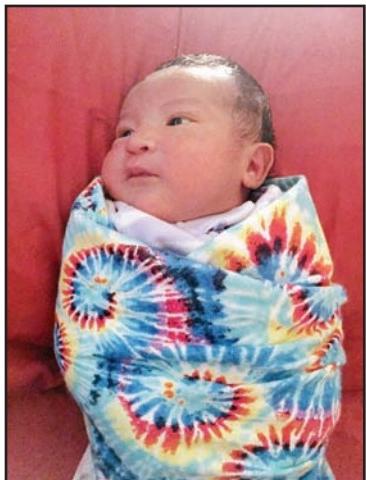
Congratulations Elena Capoeman and Fox Sam Jr on your baby boy.

Fox jimmy Sam III
9.7lbs and 19 inches long.
9:08 pm on August 8, 2015



Congratulations Clara Capoeman and Jose Hernandez on your baby girl.

Araceli Luna Hernandez-Capoeman
9.7lbs 21 inches long
4:14 am on August 9, 2015



FREE LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC

For low-income community members of
the five Tribes SPIPA serves

Do you have a non-criminal legal problem?



An attorney from the **Northwest Justice Project** will be coming to the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency's (SPIPA) Squaxin Island Office the **first Thursday of each month**, unless noted otherwise, to provide free legal consultations to eligible tribal members on civil legal matters.

Legal issues may include (among other things): Consumer – payday loans, debt collection, repossessions; ★DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT★; Education – suspensions, expulsions, special education; Employment issues; Family Law – child custody, child support; Health Care and Welfare Benefits; Housing – evictions, foreclosures; Indian Wills and Estate Planning.

Please note the clinic day has changed!

- WHEN: THURSDAY, September 3, 2015 from 10 A.M. – 3 P.M.
- WHERE: SPIPA's office at Squaxin Island Tribe, 3104 S.E. Old Olympic Hwy.

PLEASE BRING ALL PAPERWORK RELATED TO YOUR LEGAL PROBLEM. NO APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY.
WE WILL BRIEFLY SCREEN YOU FOR INCOME ELIGIBILITY.

If you prefer to schedule an appointment or for more information please call Janel Riley
at 1-888-201-1012, ext.0920.



Northwest Justice Project

Revised August 2015





BINGO

Sept. 18th, 19th & 20th
Friday • 6:30pm
Saturday • 11:45am & 4:30pm
Sunday • 4:30pm

\$99 Blackout at / \$1199 Blackout at
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